

## Message Text

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CAIRO PLEASE PASS USDEL

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PGOV, XF, IS, JO, EG  
SUBJECT: WEST BANK DELEGATIONS GOING TO CAIRO

REF: JERUSALEM 2155

1. IN APPARENT REVERSAL OF EARLIER EGYPTIAN DECISION, DECEMBER 18  
JERUSALEM PRESS REPORTS THAT WEST BANK DELEGATIONS ARE TO BE  
ALLOWED TO COME TO CAIRO WITHIN NEXT SEVERAL DAYS.

2. AL ANBA REPORTS THAT DELEGATIONS FROM JERUSALEM,  
JERICHO, RAMALLAH, HEBRON, AND BETHLEHEM COMPOSED OF ABOUT 250  
PERSONS WILL LEAVE EARLY DECEMBER 19 GOING VIA AL QANTARAH.  
PAPER REPORTS THAT BURHAN JA'ABARI WILL LEAD THE HEBRON DELE-  
GATION WHILE THE RAMALLAH GROUP WILL BE LED BY HUSAYN SHIYUKHI.  
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A SEPARATE NABLUS DELEGATION OF 20 LED BY ABDULRA  
'OUF AL FARIS IS REPORTED BY SAME STORY TO BE PLANNING TO  
LEAVE FOR CAIRO ON DECEMBER 20 GOING VIA AMMAN. PRESS REPORT  
NOTES THAT THESE WEST BANKERS WILL NOT TAKE ANY PART IN CAIRO  
CONFERENCE AS DELEGATIONS "DO NOT CONSIDER THEMSELVES AS  
THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE."

3. THIS PRESS REPORT IS SUBSTANTIALLY CORROBORATED BY OUR CONTACTS IN HEBRON AND NABLUS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT NABLUS DELEGATION WILL HAVE PETITION SIGNED BY 8,000 PEOPLE WHICH SUPPORTS SADAT WHILE MAINTAINING THAT PLO IS ONLY REPRESENTATIVE OF PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.

4. COMMENT: COMPOSITION OF DELEGATIONS STILL PRETTY MUCH THE SAME AS REPORTED EARLIER. THERE ARE NO MAYORS OR WEST BANKERS WITH ANY IMPORTANT FOLLOWING. WE NOTE THAT GROUP HAS TOLD PRESS THAT IT WILL NOT PRESUME TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.

5. SUBSEQUENT TO WRITING ABOVE WE HAVE LEARNED FROM ICRC HERE THAT AS OF 1815 LOCAL TIME EGYPTIANS HAD STILL NOT GIVEN PERMISSION FOR WEST BANK GROUP TO PASS THROUGH AL QANTARAH. ON DECEMBER 19.  
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